

FRIDAY NIGHT FACTS

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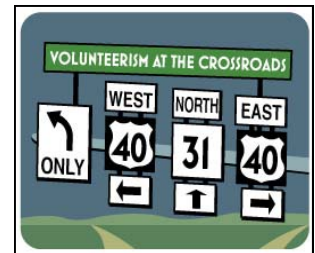


We realize many of you have probably been 'snowed under' the last few weeks, but it is time to 'dig yourselves out' and register for our 2007 Governor's Conference on Service and Volunteerism.

There are only 20 days left until the conference!

Don't miss at the 2007 Governor's Conference.

This year's conference once again will feature both locally- and nationally-recognized presenters. Terri Hasdorff, Director of the Center for Faith-Based & Community Initiatives for USAID will deliver the keynote address on March 12. David Eisner, CEO of the Corporation for National and Community Service, will deliver the keynote address on March 13. National presenters of note include Andrea Taylor, from the Center for Intergenerational Learning at Temple University, Drew Carberry, from the National Crime Prevention Council, and Joan Liptrot, from the Institute for Global Education and Service-Learning. Local presenters of note include Bill Stanczkiewicz, President & CEO of the Indiana Youth Institute, and Kim Donahue, Director of the Nonprofit Training Center for the United Way of Central Indiana. To view the complete list of breakout sessions and presenters, visit the conference website: www.in.gov/ofbci/conference or email conference@ofbci.in.gov to request a listing.



Register online now at www.in.gov/ofbci/conference!

Don't forget your hotel room.

The Indianapolis Downtown Marriott, site of the Conference, is one of the premier hotels in Indianapolis. Located within easy walking distance of downtown attractions, the Marriott offers an unbeatable combination of comfort and convenience. Normally, rooms at the Marriott cost at least \$239 per night. But, when you register for the Conference by **Thursday, February 22nd**, you will be able to reserve rooms for the special Conference price of just \$87 plus tax. **That's a savings of over \$150!** To make a reservation, visit www.indymarriott.com or call 877-640-7666. Make sure to mention the promotional code **SERSERA** when registering.

ATTENTION Community-Based and Faith-Based Organizations

SUMMARY: The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Office of Public Health and Science, Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion and the Regional Health Administrators are requesting proposals from community-based organizations and others to evaluate the impact of a unique set of healthy lifestyles activities in local settings that support the President's HealthierUS initiative. As part of the **Take Action: Healthy People, Places and Practices in Communities Project**, the proposed activities should address one or more of the four parts of the President's HealthierUS initiative: 1) be physically active; 2) eat a nutritious diet; 3) get preventive screenings, and 4) make healthy choices/avoid risky behaviors.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Not-for-profit, community-based organizations including faith-based groups, after school programs, coalitions and others are encouraged to submit proposals. The one-year project period will run from July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008.

DUE DATE: Proposals are due March 30, 2007.

AWARD AMOUNT: Funding for these activities will be between \$2,000 and \$5,000 and a national evaluation of the project will be conducted.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Background information on the project, proposal instructions and forms are available at <http://www.osophs.dhhs.gov/ophs/healthypeople> If you have further questions or need more information, please call 1-866-224-3815 or email your questions to answers@JSI.com

"Let Your Voice Be Heard"

To celebrate Black History Month in February, NOAH, Inc. (Neighbors Organized to Assist Humanity) is providing an exciting opportunity for you to learn more about Indiana's African American history. Students from Kindergarten through 12th grade are invited to participate in their 2007 Black History Essay Contest.

Students have a choice of four essay topics:

African American "firsts" in Indiana. What event in Black History do you think most influenced Indiana's way of life...and why? Does the event still have an impact today?

Indiana's Outstanding African Americans. If you could ask one famous African American that was born or raised in Indiana to come to your school and be a substitute teacher for the day, who would it be? What would he or she teach your class? Why did you choose this person and how has he or she impacted your life?

African American Organizations or Institutions in Indiana. What significant African American agency, organization or institution originated in Indiana? What is the significance? How are they making a difference for us today?

African American Historical Landmarks in Indiana. Describe a key African American landmark in Indiana. What is its significance? How is it being preserved to honor its origins or ties to African Americans?

Cash awards will be presented to the top three essay winners in each category.

Grades K-5	Grades 6-8	Grades 9-12
1st place: \$100	1st place: \$125	1st place: \$150
2nd place: \$50	2nd place: \$65	2nd place: \$75
3rd place: \$25	3rd place: \$35	3rd place: \$40

For more information and contest rules, please call Shirlean Seawood at 317-926-8266 or visit:

http://www.noahkids.org/NOAH_s_2007_Black_History_Essay_Contest.doc

The deadline to submit essays is Wednesday, February 28, 2007 at 5:00 PM.

INDIANA SCHOLAR FAIR

PRESENTED BY:  **VINCENNES UNIVERSITY**

Saturday, February 24, 2007
10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

**Indiana Statehouse Rotunda – 200 W. Washington St.
 Indianapolis, Indiana 46204**

WORKSHOPS

- Applying For College, Your Essay Says It All
- Core 40 Curriculum Course Scheduling
- Adult Overnight/Why College Isn't The 13th Grade
- Trip to College/Drive Of Your Life
- Financial Aid Q&A

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 STUDENTS
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 STUDENTS
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 STUDENTS**

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- 2. Social Security Number
- 3. FAFSA Application or Parents' Tax information
- 4. Student Resume

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